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DR. DAWSON COMPARES RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS

(Editor's Note: During the vacation of Larston D. Farrar, Religious News Service Correspondent in Washington, notable church representatives in the nation's capital have been asked to serve as guest columnists. Dr. Dawson is the last of these.)

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Upon returning to my own country after an extended tour among the capitals of Europe, I was inevitably disposed to compare the state of religion there with its condition here. At once the visitor is impressed over there, in every country except Russia, with the close relation of the Church to government. There, kings and queens are crowned in churches and usually are interred in churches. Here, where we have separation of Church and State, it may be charged, alas, that frequently officers of government too thoroughly and literally are separated from the church, both in recognition

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BRITAIN IN THE SHADOWS

By O. K. Armstrong

(Baptist Press is fortunate in securing the services of O. K. Armstrong, nationally known magazine writer, for a series of articles on conditions in Europe. This is the first in the series.)

LONDON, England —(BP)— Here in England's great city, where the blitz left great gaping areas of rubble, you sense the vast weariness everyone seems to feel as result of the war. England is in a financial crisis. It's just as though there had been a run on the bank, and the money is gone.

These things the papers tell you. But the news does not carry the gravest part of the story—that Britain is perhaps at the lowest ebb, morally and spiritually, of her long history.

Under the present Socialist government, the war-time restrictions remain. There may be actual hunger in England this winter. The government keeps calling on everyone to "tighten the belts."

Much Liquor and Gambling

Yet one of the biggest businesses in England is gambling. Liquor flows

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Sampey Shrine Drive Launched Old Church To Be Preserved

RAMER, Ala. (RNS) Holding its centennial celebration, Ramer Baptist Church changed its name to the "John R. Sampey Memorial Baptist Church" and launched a campaign to preserve the old building as a national shrine to its most distinguished son, the late Dr. John R. Sampey, and erect a new \$50,000 church edifice.

The movement has the approval of the Southern Baptist Convention, which is serving as its financial sponsor. Architects of the Baptist Sunday School Board are now in process of preparing plans for the new building, which will be an example of the "perfect rural church," complete with main auditorium, all Sunday school departments and classrooms.

The overall plan also calls for landscaping the adjoining civic park and naming it the John R. Sampey Memorial Park.

Dr. Sampey, who began his career at Ramer Baptist church as Sunday school superintendent at the age of 16, was president-emeritus of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and had served as president of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was rated the world's finest Old Testament scholar, and his books are said to be considered a "must" in the libraries of ministers of every denomination.

Memorial booklets will be sent to all of the 2,500 ministers in the Southern Baptist Convention, and each church will participate in the building fund.

Why Baptists Don't Sprinkle Babies

Baptist churches do not sprinkle babies because Baptists base their practice upon the teaching of the Bible and not upon the dogmas of the Roman Catholic Pope. Sprinkling as a substitute for Bible baptism is a Roman Catholic dogma, and not even mentioned in the Bible. Get this straight—any person who has accepted sprinkling for baptism has never been baptized at all. Sprinkling is the Roman Catholic's substitute for Bible baptism.

The Roman Catholic Pope claims to be Christ's viceroy on earth, that is, he

claims to represent Christ on earth, or that he is mankind in heaven. The Pope claims the right to change, or alter, any Christian doctrine or practice. The Pope of Rome substituted sprinkling for New Testament baptism, which is the immersion of a believer in water.

The Roman Catholic church practiced immersion for several hundred years. In fact, the change was not officially made until the thirteenth century at the Council of Ravenna.

Why Sprinkling?

Why did the Pope substitute sprinkling

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And Now The Battle

By Duke K. McCall

On Sunday, October 5, Southern Baptists launched a Tithers' Enrollment Campaign to invade the Kingdom of Selfishness in the hearts of men. For months every Southern Baptist agency and organization has combined its efforts with every state agency and organization to prepare for the D-Day of the attack. It was a great day with reports of marvelous victories and achievements coming from every quarter.

The initial success of this effort to enlist a million Southern Baptist tithers for Christ must be followed up. No pastor or denominational servant can assume that the job is over—it has just begun.

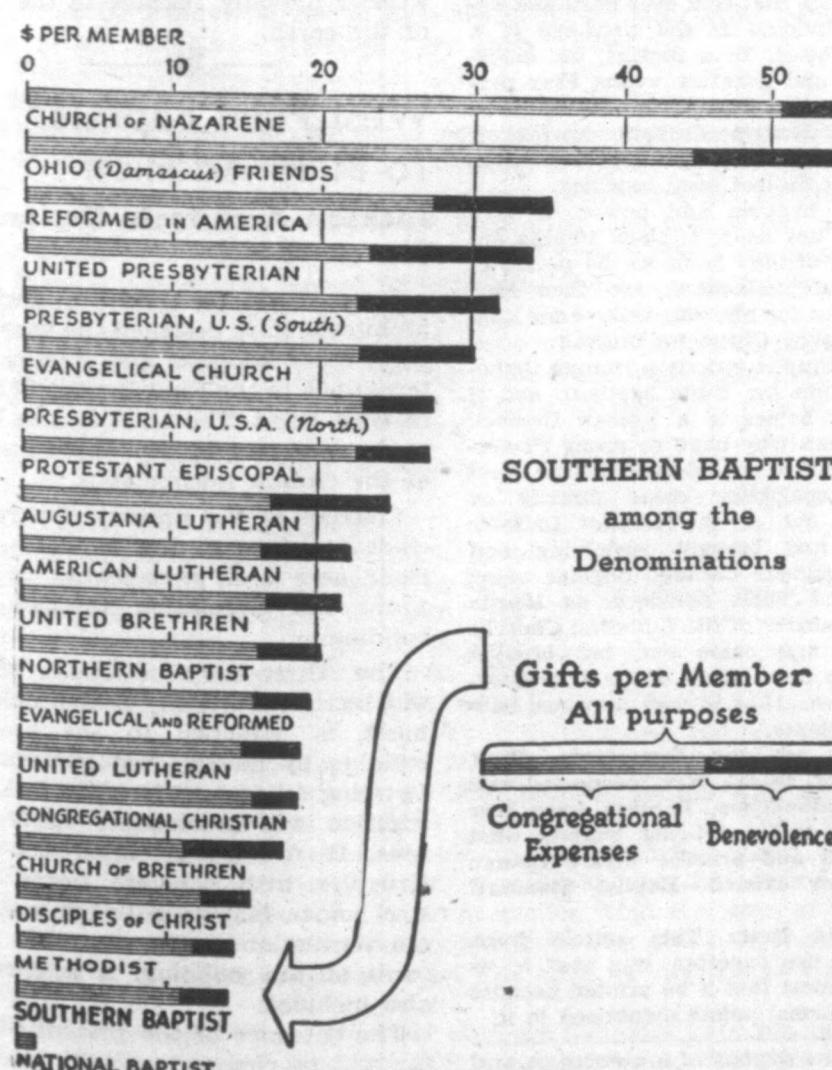
Many individuals who on the high tide of the spiritual experience pledged to tithe will need the reinforcement of Bible preaching on stewardship as they undertake to carry out their commitments. It will be necessary to place in their hands tracts and other literature to encourage them to keep faith with their promise. They will need the strengthening assurance from every quarter that God is pleased with the standard of stewardship they have adopted.

Suppose the final report indicates that we have reached our goal of

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ARE WE PROUD OF OUR RECORD?

In the chart below, based on figures collected by the United Stewardship Council, we can discover just how much we are giving to the cause of Christ at home and abroad... Are you proud of this kind of a record?



By courtesy of Dr. George Morelock, Methodist Church, and the United Stewardship Council (1945 figures)

ITALIAN BAPTISTS TO REOPEN ROME SEMINARY

ROME —(RNS)— Meeting for the first time since the war, the general assembly of the Baptist Union of Italy opened here with an attendance of

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Carver To Teach Theology

Dr. William Owen Carver, professor emeritus of Comparative Religion and Missions at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., has been named acting head of the resignation of Dr. H. W. Tribble to become president of Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, Mass.

In announcing the appointment, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the seminary, said: "The faculty realizes that the Seminary sustained a terrific loss when Dr. Tribble resigned. His place is difficult to fill. We feel it is a kind providence of God that makes it possible for Dr. Carver, who retired four years ago, to be in physical condition to render this emergency service. His long years of ministry in the Seminary, his unusual scholarship, and his love for the institution make him the man of the hour of this work."

Dr. Fuller announced that plans are in operation to secure a successor to Dr. Tribble.

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(Continued from Page One) of its significance and in personal experience of its faith. Abroad the connection is often too formal or else either too dominating or too subservient.

Be the facts what they may, I returned from Europe this time with a firmer conviction than ever that the American provision and tradition must be preserved. Indeed, my fervent hope is that it may be extended to all countries, because I sincerely believe that religious liberty—full and satisfying for all people—can come to pass only with the discontinuance of union between church and state everywhere.

The attendance of 5,000 and more delegates from some 50 countries at Copenhagen apparently made a deep impression upon all the Scandinavian countries, which were represented, and upon many others in more distant lands. In addition, the meeting afforded distinct encouragement to the struggling little Baptist bands throughout the continent and in countries far away, such as China, India and Africa.

The successful Congress also launched a three-fold crusade which may result in really significant developments.

This crusade will have for its objectives: first, evangelism; second, relief; third, religious liberty. In respect to the latter, as one serving on the Special Commission set up to accomplish its end, I wish to say that it shall be our aim to make a worldwide survey of the state of religious liberty in all lands, to work for proper conventions in the United Nations guaranteeing it, and to make specific remedial approaches in every country. We hope that the Baptists may not stand alone in this endeavor but may have the sympathetic cooperation of all religious groups.

In speaking at the Baptist World Congress on "The United Nations from a Christian Viewpoint," I had the privilege of addressing the great audience at the same hour with the Right Honorable Ernest Brown, of London, who spoke on "Essentials to World Peace." It was the occasion of much pleasure to discover that the former Minister of Labor in the Churchill Cabinet and I were stressing the point that democracy must be free instead of coerced. Had our Russian delegation appeared, as they did not because as they stated they were unwilling to hear criticism of their national philosophy, they could not have accused either of us of a direct assault upon it, though, of course, the implications were inescapable.

I was proud, that the Congress made a just and proper statement concerning the Jews in Palestine and the right attitude of Jewry everywhere. Indeed, all the pronouncements on the race question were good, and any press reports attaching blame on the Congress for wrong treatment of negroes were ill-founded.

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ITALIAN BAPTISTS TO REOPEN ROME SEMINARY

(Continued from Page One) ninety pastors and laymen from Baptist churches throughout the country.

It was announced that the union, which embraces 52 churches and 22 "out stations," will reopen the Baptist Seminary in Rome this fall. In addition, a number of lay preacher institutes are being planned to pro-

vide badly-needed personnel.

Since 1920, Baptist missions in Italy have been the responsibility of the Southern Baptist Convention. According to Pastor Manfredi Ronchi, secretary of the union, Baptist work in Italy began originally in 1540, and flourished until the end of the century, when persecutions caused the dispersal of some 70 communities established between Ferrara and Switzerland.

Thereafter, organized Baptist work lapsed in Italy until the English Baptist Missionary Society extended operations there in 1866, after the unification of Italy. In 1870, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention opened work in Italy, eventually assuming full charge.

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BRITAIN IN THE SHADOWS

(Continued from Page One) freely. Immorality is rife. Churches are almost empty.

"Betting has reached the heights of a national disease," Dr. Walter O. Lewis told me. "Men, women, and children become obsessed with it. It draws away the incomes of a large per cent of the entire population."

The government has legalized betting, and openly encourages the "pools." People bet on horse racing, football games, anything. The craze for dog racing has spread like a fire in the last few months. Even mice racing has become a business—perhaps the lowest form of sport ever invented.

Four Page Papers—One-Half to Races, Gambling

Newsprint paper is short, so the daily press has been cut to four pages. Yet about half of a page is regularly filled with results of the races and games, the odds and the winnings of the pools. While our Baptist churches must do without paper for bulletins, flamboyant posters advertise sports and liquor. In smaller type somewhere you see another story about some tragic suicide because of losses.

The liquor bill for Britain runs approximately one billion dollars a year—more than one-fourth the American loan. The "pubs"—saloons—welcome "ladies"—and some I've seen going in and out are not ladies. (But should an American talk?)

20% Went For Non-Essentials

Twenty per cent of the American loan was spent for non-essential luxuries. A young couple cannot get materials to build a home, nor a church repair its roof. Yet houses of entertainment and sport are thriving. Materialism is rampant in high places. It may be remembered by Americans that one of the government ministers, a pronounced atheist, was refused admission to the United States some years ago because of his advocacy of "free love" and trial marriages. Several other cabinet ministers are known as agnostics. George Isaacs, Minister of Labor, in a recent debate in Parliament was challenged by a member of his own party, who said: "But this would seem to put the state before God." To which Mr. Isaacs replied, "The state comes before God."

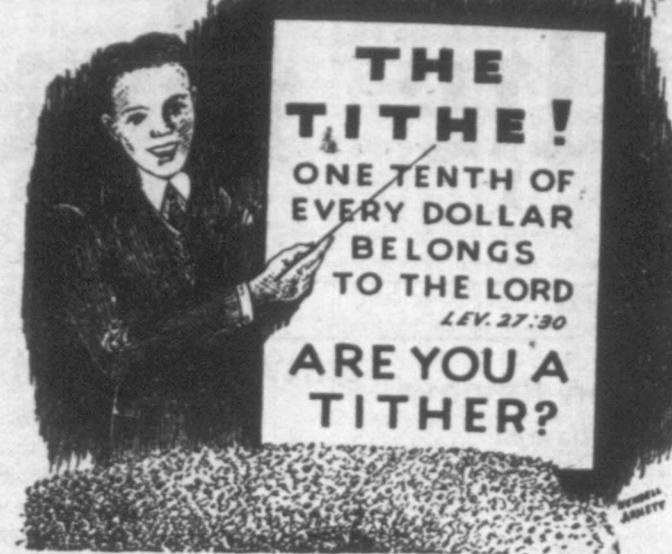
Dr. H. J. Leach, pastor of Kingsgate Baptist Church, told me that church attendance had dropped alarmingly since the war's end. It seems almost impossible to get young people into the churches anymore.

"But I have not lost faith," he said. "Remember, the great revivals of the past have come when the people

were never, in any way, connected with Roman Catholicism. Baptists were here preaching and practicing exactly what we preach and practice before Roman Catholicism existed.—Baptist Standard (Texas).

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reached the depths of materialism and immorality. We may be ready for such a revival. Could it be that it will start in America?"



WHY BAPTISTS DON'T SPRINKLE BABIES

(Continued from Page One) for baptism? Keep in mind that the Catholic church practiced immersion for baptism, for several hundred years, and adults only were immersed. Then the priests originated the idea of baptismal regeneration, that is, that baptism has power to save, and that everyone has to be baptized in order to be saved.

They then argue that if baptism saves, everyone must be baptized, and the earlier the better. They could force baptism upon infants, but it was inconvenient to immerse babies. Therefore, the priests substituted sprinkling for immersion. For several hundred years the priests sprinkled infants and immersed adults. At the Council of Ravenna the Pope officially declared that sprinkling should be substituted for immersion as Christian baptism.

Baptists do baptize believers. Baptism as the word signifies, is an immersion. And, since Jesus in the Great Commission commanded that we make disciples before baptizing and since one becomes a disciple through faith in Christ, therefore, Scriptural baptism is the immersion of a believer, or the burial of a believer, in water. Baptists do not baptize babies, because babies are not believers, and because baptism does not save, and does not help to save.

The High Honor

Baptists believe that the highest honor and privilege that God ever bestowed upon an individual is the privilege of a personal choice. To a Baptist, the blackest fraud and greatest wrong ever perpetrated upon a helpless infant would be to force Roman Catholic sprinkling upon it, and then tell that person in later years he had been baptized.

Even if baptism had power to save babies do not need it, since infants are not lost until they come to the period of personal accountability, and then each must repent for himself, believe for himself, and obey Christ for himself.

If sprinkling is strictly a Roman Catholic substitute for Bible baptism, and if sprinkling babies is a Roman Catholic dogma, then why have so many Protestant churches or denominations that practice sprinkling come directly or indirectly out of the Roman Catholic Church, and brought sprinkling and other pernicious Catholic dogmas along with them? Their founders, as Martin Luther (founder of the Lutheran Church) protested and came out, but brought along with them many of the unscriptural practices. That is why they are called Protestants.

Baptists are not Protestants. They were never, in any way, connected with Roman Catholicism. Baptists were here preaching and practicing exactly what we preach and practice before Roman Catholicism existed.—Baptist Standard (Texas).

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(Continued from Page One) million Southern Baptist tithers for Christ? Shall we ignore the five million Southern Baptists who were not included in our goal? They, too, must be challenged so to dedicate their lives to the Cause of Christ that the contribution of the tithe will be but a reasonable response of love to Him who died on Calvary's cross for us.

There are yet many churches in which the Tithers' enlistment appeal has not been pressed. Every effort must be made to secure the co-operation of these churches. The issue involved is not whether they need additional funds or whether Baptist agencies need additional funds. The issue involved is "The tithe is the Lord's. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it."

The D-Day of invasion is passed. The battle is joined. May God strengthen the purpose of us one and all to continue until our Christian witness actually reaches to the ends of the earth.

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West Point Baptists To Build Addition

Jackson Architects Designing Structure

Fort, White and Smith, Jackson architects, have designed the proposed three-story addition and interior alterations to the First Baptist Church in West Point. The addition has been made necessary by the rapid growth of the church membership.

Changes to the present church include revisions in the baptistry and choir area and passageways to improve the circulation through the building.

The three-story addition, which will house the Sunday School department, is attached to the present building by an enclosed passageway. Covering an area of 54 by 80 feet, the addition will accommodate 1,200 persons. It will be of brick and tile structure with concrete floors over steel joists. Plaster walls and a modern ventilation system are other features of the building. A kitchen is also included.

The entrance of the present building will be changed and the pastor's study revised. The addition will blend with the architecture of the present building.

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Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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 "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

All heads of State and Southwide institutions, departments, and committees desiring printed reports included in the Convention bulletin should have the material in the Convention Board office not later than October 15. This is very important. The Convention Constitution under article 7, paragraph 11, page 10 of the 1946 Convention Annual states: "The Convention Board, and all other boards, commissions, standing committees and agencies of the Convention shall make reports to the Convention through the Convention Board, which reports shall be published, and shall be made available to the members of the Convention, and for distribution on the first day of the annual meeting of the Convention."

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CONVENTION BOARD BOOKS CLOSE OCTOBER 31ST

All churches, pastors, treasurers, and others will take note that all monies counting in the report to the Convention are to be in the Convention Board office on or before October 31st as books for this Convention year close that day.

II

As we lingered in services at Lexington, some of the folks said to us, "Now we appreciate our Baptist work more and are much stronger for it after these days together in hearing about His work."

This is probably one of the best opportunities we have in helping the work as we go out in the field. We are continually pleased with these fine preacher families with whom we work. Pastor L. E. Burnette is leading his people in a growing program. The people of Lexington are lovely indeed. Pastor Howard Aultman, Holly Springs, another one of our fine younger preachers, led the singing. There were fourteen additions, and others will come in later services.

We drove up to Macon to be with another princely preacher in the person of R. D. Pearson. He has led his people in a fine work for about twenty years. Macon always looks good to us and yet we never saw it looking so good as in seeing all these leaders together in a fine banquet hour.

We flew down to the coast to make whatever contacts we might in being helpful down there. Already Pastors Flynt, Hodge, Odle, and Allen had written that our church property had fortunately escaped without serious damage. Not so with many of the homes of our people as well as others. The destruction is terrific.

III

Question: What should the wife do in regard to tithing if she believes in it but her husband does not when he carries the family purse.

Answer: First, marriage is a partnership and should be so regarded. The wife certainly has the right to a portion of the family income. She may tithe whatever portion comes into her hands.

In case none of the regular income of the family comes into her hands, she is certainly not expected to tithe a debt that is never paid.

It may be possible for her to raise chickens, sell eggs, milk, butter, and so forth, giving tithes and offerings from such income.

IV

Mississippi Baptists have gained in Co-operative Program contributions year by year for sometime. We stand well up in the list of states in Co-operative Program contributions. Why? Because of better times! And, because some of us have been emphasizing the Co-operative Program all along. Some pastors and churches have led in it! This office has mailed out many tens of thousands of tracts all along. We have used posters. We have used columns and pages of the Baptist Record in presenting the Co-operative Program. We have used pulpits, associations, conferences, and conventions.

For each of several years several pages of the Convention bulletin and annual have been used to give the picture of the Co-operative Program.

When our people have a mind to put the Co-operative Program over it will be done.

Here is the recent record of progress in Co-operative Program contributions:

1933	\$ 65,528.73	1940	118,266.14
1934	82,396.55	1941	132,401.88
1935	81,293.56	1942	194,317.26
1936	93,025.60	1943	282,187.60
1937	100,415.24	1944	377,059.70
1938	101,320.56	1945	533,150.74
1939	103,920.72	1946	559,163.74

V

Mississippi Baptists are out after \$1,000,000 Co-operative Program monies for the work of Christ this year of 1947! More important still we want to reach every church for this support of the work of Christ! Then, every one of our 336,000 Mississippi Baptists should be reached in this work.

How are we coming? The first nine months, January-September, we have received \$507,357.73 Co-operative Program monies. That is a gain of \$78,038.79 over the same period last year. It is only a little over one half of our annual goal however. The King's Business must pick up if we end the year in victory for Him!

The first six months of the year over 600 churches gave not one penny through the Co-operative Program. Even so nine hundred churches registered an increase in the number of churches giving, and in total monies given.

During the last two months another two hundred churches have sent in contributions through the Co-operative Program. That leaves over 400 churches to be heard from. We would like to hear from them by October 31st that we might go to the Convention with a perfect record in participation.

Five associations are 100% along this line. They are Deer Creek, Lebanon, George, Lafayette, and Pike. We congratulate them. Other associations lack only one-two-three churches in the matter. It can be done by Convention time!

Our bookkeeping records show the following:

Number of Churches Not Contributing Through Co-operative Program

January 1 — September 30, 1947

Adams-Franklin	12	Calhoun	14	Columbus	2	De Soto	2
Alcorn	14	Carroll	8	Copiah	7	George	0
Attala	12	Chickasaw	6	Covington	2	Greene	3
Benton	4	Choctaw	8	Deer Creek	0	Gulf Coast	2
Bolivar	3	Clarke	6	Noxubee	3	Hinds Warren	7
Holmes	10	Leflore	1	Oktibbeha	5	Smith	18
Itawamba	14	Liberty	8	Oktibbeha Co.	2	Tate	6
Jackson	3	Lincoln	6	Panola	2	Sunflower	1
Jeff Davis	2	Madison	6	Pearl River	5	Tallahatchie	7
Jasper	2	Marion	6	Pearl Valley	7	Tippah	8
Jones	7	Marshall	8	Pike	0	Tishomingo	11
Kemper	6	Mississippi	4	Perry	7	Union	6
Lafayette	0	Monroe	7	Pontotoc	16	Union Co.	8
Lauderdale	1	Montgomery	9	Prentiss	6	Walhall	5
Lawrence	5	Mt. Pisgah	3	Rankin	8	Wayne	13
Leake	11	New Choctaw	8	Riverside	10	Winston	10
Lebanon	0	Newton	7	Scott	9	Yalobusha	8
Lee	15	Clay	1	Simpson	16	Yazoo	2

According to our records Grenada has listed two churches in the above list.

Since writing the above, we find Oktibbeha County is 100%.

VI

"That Mississippi May Not Become Another Palestine," is a good State Mission theme. Palestine is the crossroads to three continents. It is the Bible land of the olden days. It could hardly be called the Bible land today. The opportunities of this land have been wonderful. The patriarchs and prophets lived there. Jesus in the flesh was born there. Much of the Bible was written there. The first church was organized there.

The inhabitants of this land at times laughed at prophecies of their doom. They felt it could not happen to them. It did happen.

Today Palestine is a land of hate, war, strife, indecency, filth, etc. 'Tis sad but true! It is today largely a Bibleless, a church-less, a Christ-less land!

Do we want our Mississippi to become another Palestine? The only guarantee against it is the Christ of God, the message of the Bible, the ministry of the church. State Missions in Mississippi has this year covered Mississippi in taking the message of the Book to the people as we have not seen it before. All departments have been and are busy for Him. They serve Mississippi Baptists! They go after the lost!

Give NOW to the financial support of State Missions and help make it true that our Mississippi may never become another Palestine! Pray about it! Do your part in personal soul-winning! Win someone to Jesus as Saviour and Lord before this year ends! Give out gospels and tracts! Write letters for Him!

VII

Every church should be a 100% active church—every member in every good work. We saw one church in our pastorate where by actual count seven of every eight members did something in the service of Christ. That is the highest we have seen. We had one church to grade itself at 40% in the work of Christ. They would have been horrified had their children come from school with a 40% report card.

We are no more idealistic than the Bible calls for "Let each one of you." And, "Except ye ALL repent ye shall ALL likewise perish." Again, "Every man shall give account before God." Another time, "They were ALL together in one place."

Every true denomination should be 100% active for Christ. We stand the best chance ever of seeing EVERY Mississippi Baptist Church supporting the Gospel to the ends of the earth through the Co-operative Program. See that your church is in on it! See that your association is 100%—every church in on financial support through the Co-operative Program.

Last year all but 100 of our 1500 Mississippi churches gave financial support to Missions, etc.

Last year all but about 200 of our 1500 churches won at least one or more persons during the year to Christ as Lord and Saviour! Let us make it a 100% picture in soul winning this year.

The Convention year closes October 31st. All monies counting in reports to the Convention, November 17-20, must actually be in the Convention Board office on or before October 31st!

Let us also ask God our Father to help us make 1947 in the weeks remaining our very best in soul winning.

Last year was our best all time in total contributions, our second all time best in baptisms, and also our second all time best in Co-operative Program finances! Doxology!

Miss Allene Sugg, Bellefontaine, has been elected president of the International Relations Club of Blue Mountain College for the session 1947-48. Other officers are: vice-president, Frances French, Mendenhall; secretary-treasurer, Patricia Hicks, Mobile, Ala.; program chairmen, Mary Louise Oakley, Potts Camp, and Merna Joan Hocum, Memphis, Tenn.

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Relief Ideas Offered

We have had the suggestion printed below called to our attention by the Church World Service. We offer this for the consideration of people who wish to be helpful. In the recent list of addresses of Baptist chaplains given by Dr. Duke McCall, printed in the Record, we can find some reliable men to see that help is really given where it is needed. In some countries, the idea has been spread that 'the only relief sent from America has been from the Roman Catholic churches.' If our own chaplains administer the gifts we send, we will know our people got them. We quote:

"Recently one of the executives of Church World Service received at his home address a begging letter from a destitute family in Germany. The following day, his pastor asked his advice about a letter he had received seeking help. Comparison showed that the writer was the same person who apparently had gotten hold of some list or directory of clergymen."

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You Can Know

When people wish to send gifts abroad for suffering brothers in war ruined lands, they can know the things will reach the ones for whom the gifts are intended. But to know your gift will go where you want it, you must send it through agencies that serve you and carry out your wishes.

We wish to recommend that gifts be sent the Baptist Relief Center, at the Baptist Rescue Mission, 740 Esplanade avenue, New Orleans, La. This mission is under the joint direction of Supt. Clovis Brantley and Charles Gage, the latter an active Baptist layman. This center has a working arrangement with Church World Service, Inc., whereby it has the benefit of Service's connections in every country that needs clothes and food. Through this, contributions of Baptists will go directly to our Baptist people in those lands. Criticism that our people have been

discriminated against in the distribution of gifts in the past will be corrected by this plan. In certain lands, when certain ecclesiastical groups distributed the relief, the inference was made, it is said, that all help came from "Catholic people."

It would be a Christ-like service for churches to appoint committees to make a thorough survey of clothing belonging to the members which they could give for this acutely needy cause. Most every family has a few garments and shoes they could spare, and in the aggregate these things would amount to a great deal and meet a tremendous need.

Label the gift for the Baptists in foreign lands suffering from the war, and it will be sent to them.

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Christian Herald Survey Notes Church Membership Gains

Forty-seven major Protestant denominations report a total gain of 1,534,787 members during the past year, while the Roman Catholic Church gained 434,453 members, according to statistics published in the June issue of the Christian Herald, monthly Protestant magazine. This means that the trend was not all in the direction of Catholicism as some newspaper accounts would lead us to believe.

Total reported membership of 54 churches—including Protestant, Baptists, Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Jewish, Polish National Catholic, Buddhist and Spiritualist—is 73,673,182 as against 71,700,142 last year.

The 54 religious bodies covered in the survey, the Herald explained, are those with memberships of 50,000 or more. They represent, however, "well over 80 per cent of the total membership," the publication noted.

Major Protestant gains, the Herald reported, were made by Seventh-day Adventists, Southern Baptists, the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A. Inc., National Baptist Convention of America, Disciples of Christ, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Presbyterian U.S.A., Presbyterian U.S., and The Methodist Church.

According to the Herald, the Methodist Church shows an increase of 346,379 members. "The Methodist figure," it said, "will be the subject of some controversy, inasmuch as the bishops of that denomination are claiming a gain of one million members in their 'Year of Evangelism' crusade. The million has not yet been officially recorded.

The magazine's figures indicate

total membership of the 47 protestant denominations covered in the survey is 43,635,058 as compared with a total of 42,100,271 last year. The Roman Catholic membership is set at 24,402,124 as compared with a 1946 total of 23,963,671.

"We are still distressed," the Herald said, "over the still inadequate denominational machinery for reporting statistics. All but the Jewish congregations and the Roman Catholic Church, in the non-Protestant group, have the same figures as last year. The Church of Christ, Scientist, does not announce any new figures at all from year to year. And no less than six groups are still reporting figures taken in the 1936 census!"

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Let's Name Them

Churches that are worth naming deserve to have that name displayed where passers-by may see it.

As we have travelled about over Mississippi as well as other states it has amazed us to see so few churches with names displayed.

Of course, the people living near the church know its name (we have encountered exceptions to that rule), but strangers, passing by, are often interested. But usually their interest is unrewarded. In too many instances, one must stop and inquire in order to learn the names of churches.

Although we have made no actual count, it is our observation that there are more farm names prominently displayed in Mississippi than there are church names. Quite often we pass a farm with a large sign board giving the farm name, the owners name and the name of the farm specialty. If it is worthwhile to name farms, why not churches? If it is good to advertise the fact that a farm specializes in Herefords or Poland Chinas or white leghorns, why not tell the world that this church has Rev. John Doe as pastor and that services are held at such and such hours, etc.

Pastors or deacons can have a good-sized sign erected quickly and at small cost. Such a sign would add to the prestige of the church, whether a small country church or a large city church. On a few occasions we have gotten into the wrong church because there was no sign.

Our district associations could well give this matter attention with the goal of a sign on every church in the association.

And if a marker is erected it should be near enough to the road or street and large enough to be read by passers-by.

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

Baptists Largest Non-Catholic Group

According to statistical report of religious bodies in the United States, prepared by the Christian Herald, there are 14,844,928 Baptists in the United States, including Negroes and whites. There are three groups of Baptists listed among Negroes numbering 6,468,779. There are five different groups listed among white Baptists numbering 8,376,149. Baptists—white and black—outnumber any other non-Catholic group. Since Catholics count all members of Catholic families, it is safe to say that there are more Baptist adults than there are Catholic adults in the nation.

Methodists—whites and negroes—in four different groups come next to Baptists in numbers with 10,169,125.

Baptists and Methodists combined outnumber Roman Catholics reported by 611,990.—Baptist Standard

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Van Winkle Gains 26

PASTOR HERMAN A. MILNER reports a revival in the Van Winkle Church, Jackson, September 14-21, which has drawn the entire church into a closer walk with God. Rev. Stafford Hebert, pastor of Calvary Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana, was the visiting evangelist. Van Winkle's Educational Director, Bill Lowe, led the singing, accompanied at the two pianos by the church pianist, Margaret Tisdale, and Jake Hebert, brother of the evangelist and student at Clarke College.

Cottage prayer services were held each night during the week preceding the revival and an all night prayer service was held at the church on Saturday night. There were 26 additions, 17 of which were on profession of faith. Two young ladies, Miss Emma Jean Henderson and Miss Ella Kathryn Moore, dedicated their lives to full-time Christian service.

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BAPTISTS AT GOODYEAR PLAN NEW BUILDING

PICAYUNE, Oct. 4 — Members of the Goodyear Baptist Church are planning a new church building, including an auditorium, educational facilities and pastor's study.

The plot has already been purchased, and plans and specifications are now being studied.

The new church home will be 200 feet wide and 175 feet deep, facing the same street as the present church building.

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Carroll Association Resolutions

RESOLUTION-PASSED BY CARROLL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SEPT. 25, 1947

Be it resolved that we, the delegates from all the Baptist Churches in Carroll County, in Association assembled, heartily endorse the recommendation made by the Board of Trustees in the Orphanage Report, which was presented by Bro. Mize that the Mother's Day Offering be given back to the Orphanage, and the 6% from the Cooperative Program be restored next year.

Signed,

M. S. RILEY—Moderator.

W. M. HULL, Jr.—Clerk.

Thursday, October 9, 1947

THE BAPTIST RECORD

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**Department
of Church
Music**
LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

Our State Music Convention was well attended and we have never seen a greater spirit among our musicians. The following report of the judges show the rating of the Training Union Ensembles:

Small Ensembles

Superior rating: McClain Baptist Church, McClain; Crystal Springs Baptist Church, Crystal Springs; Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.

Excellent Rating: First Baptist Church, Gulfport, Miss.; First Baptist Church, McComb; First Baptist Church, Greenville; Picayune Baptist Church; New Albany Baptist Church, New Albany.

Very Good rating: Tylertown Baptist Church, Tylertown; Liberty Hill Baptist Church, Pope; First Baptist Church, Columbus; Decatur Baptist Church, Decatur.

Good rating: Linwood Baptist Church, MacDonald; Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Bogue Chitto.

Mixed Ensembles

Very Good rating: Salem Baptist Church, Covington county.

Good rating: East Baptist Church, Greenville.

Large Ensembles

Superior rating: Van Winkle Baptist Church, Van Winkle.

Excellent: Bunker Hill Baptist Church, Columbia.

Very Good rating: Houston Baptist Church, Houston; Second Church, Greenville; Baldwyn Baptist Church, Baldwyn; First Baptist Church, Meridian.

The following report of the judges show the rating of the Hymn Playing contestants:

Intermediates

Superior rating: Martha Lu Sumrall, First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, Miss.

Excellent rating: Dan Olander, Morgan City Baptist Church, Morgan City, Miss., Julia Flippen, Silver Creek Church, McComb, Miss.; Edwina Austin, Winona Baptist Church, Winona, Miss.

Very Good rating: Jane Haggard, Deerbrook Church, Brooksville, Miss.

Good rating: Ann Loveless, Booneville Baptist Church, Booneville, Miss.; Marilyn Hughes, Summerland Baptist Church, Summerland, Miss.; Peggy Jane Smith, First Baptist Church, Meridian.

Juniors

Superior rating: Forbes Hayes, Moss Point, Baptist Church, Moss Point, Miss.; Shirley Ruth Meek, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.; Sally Ann Eubanks, Oloh Baptist Church, Oloh, Miss.

Excellent: Geraldine Bancraft, Fifth Ave. Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss.; Beverly Ann Dennis, Grenada Baptist Church, Grenada, Miss.

Very Good rating: John Robert Hester, New Albany Baptist Church, New Albany, Miss.

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I reverently feel that God cannot get along without me.

No one can paddle in foul streams without being muddied.

It is a disgrace to use horse and buggy methods in a jet-propelled world.

**Rev. J. S. Johnson
Goes To Noxapater**



REV. J. S. JOHNSON

Rev. Silas Johnson has accepted the pastorate of Noxapater Church. He succeeds Rev. C. C. Weaver who recently resigned to accept the work at DeKalb. A native of Mississippi, Rev. Mr. Johnson was educated at Louisiana College and Southwestern Seminary. He has held pastorates in Louisiana and Texas and prior to going to Noxapater he served in the Army as a Chaplain for 56 months.

Rev. Mr. Johnson is married to the former Cathryn Vance of Walnut Grove, Mississippi. They have one daughter, 10 months old, named Cathy Joe.

Pastor Johnson states that he has been cordially received at Noxapater and has been greatly impressed by their wholesome spiritual attitude.

In connection with his pastorate in Noxapater Mr. Johnson serves the Calvary Church in Winston County, where they are planning a new building.

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In renewing his subscription to the Baptist Record, Dr. Charles L. McKay, pastor of Toomberville Church, Mobile, Alabama, says: "Keep the Record coming. It gets better and better. We look forward each week to its arrival". Dr. McKay recently assisted Pastor G. A. Van Allen in the First Baptist Church of Green Cove Springs, Florida in a revival meeting. There were 26 additions, 16 by baptism. A large number of these were sailors.

Rev. F. G. Wilburn, pastor of Oloh Church of Lamar County, accompanied by Mrs. R. C. Collins, Mrs. Arthur Husson, Mrs. Vestor Lott, Mrs. Lyde Dickens, and 37 juniors not only attended the Music Convention but visited Baptist headquarters.

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New Church Organized In Jackson
A new church was organized in the Leavell Woods section of suburban Jackson on August 31. The organization was preceded by a meeting in which the preaching was done by Rev. D. W. Moulder and his son Rev. C. S. Moulder. During the meeting the singing was conducted by O. U. Rushing.

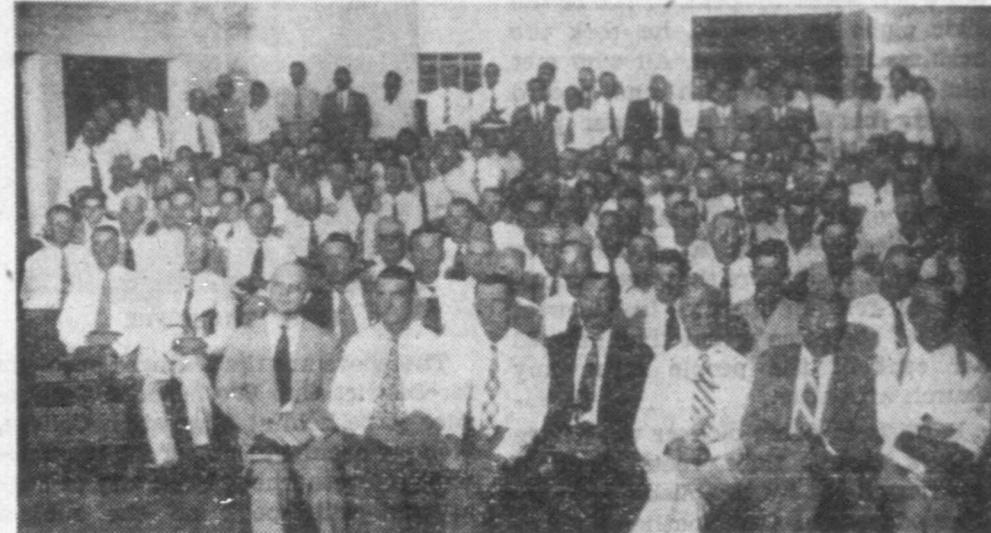
Organized with 25 charter members, the church elected the following officers: Clerk, Mrs. Victor Hitchins; Sunday School Superintendent, E. L. Lewis; Treasurer, Andrew Curry.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hitchins donated a lot and some timber and already one unit of the church building, which seats 75, has been constructed. Work is now being done on a larger unit in order to take care of this growing section.



Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary
Box 530 - - Phone 2-1600 - - Jackson
JOAN HENDERSON, Office Secretary



SIMPSON COUNTY ORGANIZES

Simpson County with three Brotherhoods, namely, Mt. Zion, New Hope and Pinola met at Mt. Zion Church on Tuesday evening, September 16, and set up an associational organization. Over 150 men attended and listened to a challenging message from Dr. W. L. Sewell of Prentiss on the subject "The Brotherhood's Part in the Tithing Campaign". The following officers were elected: Hiram Smith, president; P. D. Lott, vice-president; J. W. Bush, vice-president; and Wilborn Weathersby, secretary and treasurer. The next meeting will

be at New Hope Church on December 9.

**DISTRICT SIX CHALLENGES
THE FIELD**

District Six with Lyle V. Corey as president issues a challenge to the other seven districts. Lyle thinks that this is their time to ring the bell. The district is shooting for the largest attendance of all the districts in the state for their conference at Clarke College on Tuesday evening, October 28. If anyone is interested in accepting this challenge take the matter up directly with Lyle and the boys over that way. Their aim is for 400 men.

Department Of Temperance Activities

W. L. HOLCOMB, Director
Box 530 - - Phone 3-9106 - - Jackson
MERLE WALLEY, Office Secretary

THE BLOODY MONSTER, DRINK

Who will have to answer for the death and destruction caused by this bloody monster, Drink?

Ministers who fail to do their duty, who do not join in the battle against it will have to answer for them. No person in any community is in a better position to mold public opinion and create sentiment against strong drink than are the ministers. At a banquet where strong drink was served, a minister made a talk in which he justified it. After he sat down, a doctor arose and told the story of a young man who was a drunkard. His friends were very much concerned about it and prevailed upon him to reform. One night he attended a banquet where strong drink was served. He pushed his glass back. A minister was at that banquet. This minister took his glass and drank its contents, whereupon the young man said to himself, "It must not be wrong after all". He then took his glass and drank. Again he became a sort drunkard and soon filled an untimely, drunkard's grave. The doctor closed by saying, "That young man was my son and that minister was the man who has just finished speaking to you", and sat down.

The nation will have to answer for the destruction wrought by John Barley Corn. The attitude of our nation toward this bloody monster is largely responsible for its wide spread use. "Blessed is the nation whose God is

the Lord." "Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."

The law makers who are responsible for weakening the liquor laws, the repeal of the 18th amendment, and those who make drink available will have to answer for it.

Law enforcement officers who lie down on their job, or who sell out, will have the blood of the victims of strong drink on their hands. Such officers are doing more to undermine our government than any one group. When they sell out the underworld takes over with the protection of duly elected officers who have become traitors and quizzlings.

So called respectable citizens who drink or aid and abet in any way will have to stand before the judgment bar of God and answer for the blood shed because of this evil. Among this number will be many parents who were toddy drinkers and who encouraged their sons and daughters to take to the habit of drink. Tragedy of tragedies when a father or mother is responsible for making drunkards of their own children!

Moreover, those who are indifferent and unconcerned will also share in the blame. It is not enough to be a teetotaler. A Christian should actively oppose such a damnable, bloody monster. God forbid that we should stand before the judgment bar with the blood of literally thousands dropping from our fingers.

McCALL PLEASES ARIZONA

Dr. D. A. McCall has captured the hearts of the people of Arizona. His natural humor, his scriptural message, his free flowing oratory, with his deep spiritual compassion, made him the most popular speaker at our Arizona Assembly. He not only won the hearts of the Baptists of our state but when asked to speak to two of the civic clubs in Prescott, he took the business men by storm. All who met him have turned with one accord seeking his leadership for our proposed Baptist College.

The West today offers a missionary challenge for Baptists similar to that in Mississippi fifty to seventy-five years ago. It appears that every modern day religion operates in the west and yet statistics reveal that only 38 per cent of the people claim any church affiliation.

Baptists in doing pioneer work have always thrust their roots deep in the new fields by establishing Christian education. Our Southern states are Baptist in a large degree because of our Baptist academies, colleges, and seminaries. A Baptist college strengthens the position of Baptists in the state and it also serves as a light house of evangelism to shine in heathen lands.

God is giving us friends in the west and throughout the Southland to help us establish a Baptist college. We covet the prayers of Mississippi Baptists in behalf of this much needed college that God will give us his man to lead in this gigantic and eternity born task.—Willis J. Ray, Executive Secretary, Arizona Baptists.

SPEAKERS FOR DISTRICT ONE BROTHERHOOD

L. H. TAPSCOTT



J. H. KYZAR

The above are the featured speakers for District One Brotherhood Conference to be held at Mississippi College, Monday evening, October 27. Mr. Tapscott is Brotherhood Secretary of Texas and will speak on the subject

COVINGTON COUNTY VBS WAS 99 PERCENT

Covington County lacks only one church of being 100 per cent in Vacation Bible Schools for 1947. Seventeen churches and two missions had Vacation Bible Schools, according to Rev. W. R. Swenson, Associational Educational Director. The total enrollment was 1583.

Eight schools were graded "B or better".

It isn't the size of the Brotherhood that counts but the size of the men in the Brotherhood.

HOW TO HAVE A REVIVAL (\$3.00) contains 25 sermons preached by evangelists Joe Harry Hawkins, Hyman J. Appleman, John R. Rice, Bob Jones, Sr., Jesse McHendley, Robert J. Wells preached at the Conference on Evangelism at Winona Lake, Indiana, July 15-21, 1945. The book of 400 pages will be suitable as a practical handbook for all who engage in the work of mass evangelism, to young evangelists, pastors and song leaders. It will also be a source of inspiration and encouragement and strength to christians. Order from the publishers, Sword of the Lord Publishers, 214 West Wesley St., Wheaton, Ill., or from the Baptist Book Store.

Twenty-Five Years Ago**R. A. EDDLEMAN, CLINTON**

Miss Elizabeth Kethley is at home on furlough after several years of service in China. She is resting with her mother and Aunt Miss Margaret Lackey in Jackson.

Pastor R. D. Stringer assisted Z. A. Polk in a meeting at New Hope Baptist Church beginning the 4th Sunday in July, lasting 5 days. There were six additions to the church.

Rev. B. E. Phillips says that he has just closed his fourth meeting with pastor E. A. Lucas and the Midway church in Leake County. This is where he grew up and received his first religious impressions. He loves the folks of this community and church and they are devoted to him.

Rev. H. T. McLaurin helped Pastor E. F. McPhail in a good meeting at Blythes Creek Church, Choctaw, County in which 39 were added to the church by baptism. A good revival was reported.

Twenty were baptized into the Pleasant Dale Church near Philadelphia at the close of a good meeting, by Pastor Z. Kitchens, who was assisted by Rev. W. Rufus Beckett.

Brother B. F. McPhail of Mathiston, Miss., says he is so glad the Lord made it possible for him to be with pastor J. M. Spikes and the Liberty church in Newton county in a meeting in which the Lord gave them 26 for baptism. He speaks in highest praise of brother Spikes, who is one of our coming young preachers.

Dr. Webb Brame has just closed one of the greatest meetings of the year at Dwiggins, near Drew, Miss., in which there were 19 additions to the church, 11 for baptism and 28 tithers.

HOME COMING

Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church

Blue Mountain, Mississippi

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS

Dr. Frank Moody Purser will speak at 11:00

Dr. D. A. McCall will speak at 2:30

All former members are invited to come home for the day.

Other friends are invited.

One thousand persons are expected.

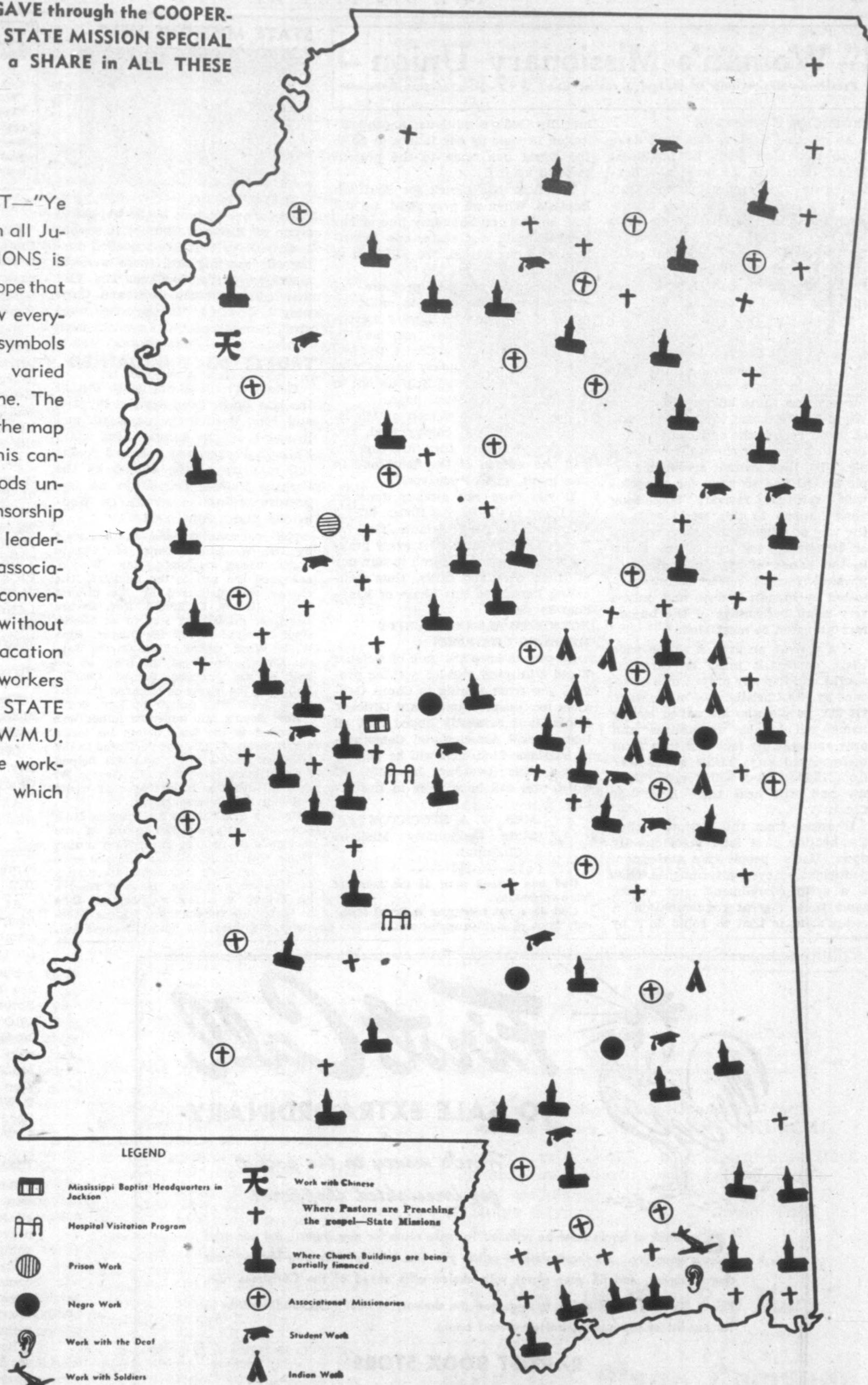
Bring a gift for the new church building.

Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church

CLIFFORD J. SMYLY, Pastor

EVERY PERSON WHO GAVE through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM or on STATE MISSION SPECIAL OFFERING DAYS HAS a SHARE in ALL THESE THINGS!

MISSISSIPPI FOR CHRIST—"Ye shall be witnesses . . . in all Judea . . ." STATE MISSIONS is so TREMENDOUS in scope that a page map cannot show everything. Pictured here are symbols indicating some of the varied types of work being done. The legend at the bottom of the map explains the symbols. This cannot show 145 Brotherhoods under the encouraging sponsorship of the state office; 17 leadership schools for B.T.U. associations; 15 district B.T.U. conventions and study courses without number; scores of Vacation Bible Schools aided by workers supported in part by STATE MISSIONS; unnumbered W.M.U. rallies attended by state workers; Camp Garaywa, in which many are won, and scores rededicate their lives and volunteer for full time Christian work; approximately 30 revivals led by the state Evangelist . . . 100 church schools of music and scores of high school music conferences; numerous study courses taught by field workers; Student Retreats and other conferences. . . STATE MISSIONS is TREMENDOUS in scope.



Mississippi for Christ That Mississippi May Not Become Another Judea!

— Woman's Missionary Union —

President—Mrs. Wima B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

COMMUNITY MISSIONS

As splendid work as has been done these fifty-nine years of organized W.M.U. activities, no greater undertaking has ever been attempted than that proposed in the resolution adopted in the Convention held in St. Louis last May, namely: "We join heartily in the efforts of our denomination to enlist one million members in the Prayer League in behalf of a great spiritual revival in our land".

Think of it! One million Southern Baptists praying earnestly every day for a spiritual awakening to come to this world! We doubt seriously that one million people ever prayed daily for any one thing unless it was that World War II come to an end. Many of us do believe the end came in answer to prayers of the righteous people. Why, then, cannot a million people be enlisted to pray for a world-wide spiritual revival? Something must happen to this world soon in the way of religion. Things cannot go on as they are for long. There is now in the hands of man a world-wide physical hazard never before possessed by human beings, and only a very small percentage of the human race prepared to meet God.

If a revival, on even a nation-wide basis, comes, it must be earnestly sought and literally prayed into existence by the Christians of our nation. "If MY people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways THEN will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."—II Chron. 7:14.

It seems from this Scripture that the healing of a land rests directly upon God's people—not statesmen, politicians, or even governments. That is a great compliment, and at the same time a great condemnation. A compliment in that we could do it by

meeting God's conditions; a condemnation in that by our failure to do so the world has come to the present state of affairs.

The hour has struck for Southern Baptists. When we pray right, we will look beyond the boundary line of our local church, our state, our Southland and our nation. We will look to all the world.

Under this unified program of evangelism which seeks to enlist all of our 26,000 Southern Baptist churches and their 6,000,000 members in a mighty crusade for Christ, the impact knows no boundary line of race or creed or color. God help us not to fail Him in this critical hour.

May the Baptist women of Mississippi with all the energy, zeal, and fortitude of which they are capable, join the women of the Southland in this great, great endeavor.

If you have not already done so, send now to the Baptist Hours, 427 1-2 Moreland Ave., N.E. Atlanta, Ga., for Prayer League Cards. Get every praying woman in your church to sign one of these covenant cards, thus dedicating herself to this phase of Kingdom Service.

NOTICE TO ALL COMMUNITY MISSIONS CHAIRMEN

Be sure to keep the date of October 7 and 8 in mind and let nothing prevent you from coming to Camp Garaway for this most important Officers' Clinic. It is earnestly hoped that all District and Associational Community Missions Chairmen will be able to attend this two-day Institute, of which you will hear more in the future.

MRS. W. A. STOCKTON
State Community Missions
Chairman

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God has placed man at the helm of his own destiny.
God does not recognize national lines; only lines of righteousness and sin.

STATE MISSIONS HELP



The above picture is the baptismal scene at Bismark Church, Lawrence County. Rev. R. L. Lee preached during the meeting and there were 13 additions, 10 for baptism. The VBS was held the same week and there were 41 enrolled. State missions have given Bismark pastoral aid this year.

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TRUETT BOYD ORDAINED

George Truett Boyd, elder son of the late James Oma Boyd of Prentiss and Mrs. Bertha Corken Boyd, and husband of the former Miss Mary Kathryn Parker, was ordained to the full ministry of the Gospel by the Prentiss Baptist Church in an impressive ordination service on Wednesday night, Sept. 17th.

The ordination sermon was preached by Dr. W. L. Holcomb of Clinton under whose pastorate Rev. Boyd answered the call to the ministry. The charge was delivered by the present Pastor, Dr. W. L. Sewell. Rev. Hyram Barefoot, ministerial student at Mississippi College, offered the prayer. Rev. W. H. Wood, pastor of the Carson Baptist Church, presented the Bible on behalf of the Prentiss Baptist Church. Following the laying on of hands, the services closed with prayer by Rev. Boyd.

Rev. Boyd's late lamented father was dedicated to the Lord before his birth, and likewise, Truett was dedicated to the Lord before his birth, and was named for that great preacher, Dr. George W. Truett, with the hope that God would call him into the ministry.

He is a graduate of the Prentiss High School, and spent two years in the service of his country in the Navy during World War II. Since being released from service, has been continuing his studies at Mississippi College. He will receive his degree in a few months, and then he plans to enter Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville next fall.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

WEST POPLARVILLE IS IN

One of the most recent additions to the list of EVERY FAMILY churches is West Poplarville, Rev. S. J. Rhodes, pastor. Paul Watts, Treasurer, recently sent a list of 13 names to whom the Baptist Record is to go.

Rev. S. J. Rhodes, Pearl River Associational Missionary, had had experience with the Baptist Record at other churches and knows its value. Hence when this church was organized he lost no time in getting the Baptist Record adopted as a part of the program.

Record readers in Pearl River County are now listed as follows: BETHEL 61, Carriere 4, Derby 1, GOODYEAR 84, HARMONY 35, JUNIPER GROVE 76, McNeil 1, NAPOLEON 33, NEW HENLEY FIELD 40, NEW PALESTINE 32, NICHOLSON 48, Ozona 10, PICAYUNE, FIRST 273, PINE GROVE 71, POPLARVILLE, FIRST 165, ROSELAND PARK 35, Spring Hill 1, UNION 45, WEST UNION 25, White Sand 12, WEST POPLARVILLE 13.

ZION ASSOCIATION

The Zion Association met with Monte Vista Church, Rev. L. W. Estes, pastor.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. Willie Hicks; Clerk and treasurer, Charlie Carroll.

An inspiring and helpful sermon was preached by Rev. Paul Wells.

I was given a good place on the morning program and several people expressed interest in the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

At noon the ladies of Monte Vista Church spread a real Webster County dinner that prohibited any reducing for that day.

Record readers in Webster county are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs, 2; BRADFORD CHAPEL 23, CROSS ROADS 29, DOUBLE SPRINGS 20, Edgeworth 2, EUPORA 84, Fellowship 4, Harmony 13, Hohenlinden 11, MANTEE 38, MATHISTON, 55, Mt. Zion 2, Mt. Vernon 14, Monte Vista 2, NEW HOPE 38, Pilgrim's Rest 2, Reed's Chapel 16, Sapa 1, Tomnolen 1, Walthall 1.

PONTOTOC

Between the Union County Association and the Calhoun County Association I dropped by Pontotoc for the prayer meeting service and told a few things about my recent European trip.

Rev. James C. Monroe, who recently came to the pastorate at Pontotoc from Brooksville, has already won the hearts of the people and they are rallying around him.

Record readers in Pontotoc County are now listed as follows: Algoma 1, Cary Springs 1, CENTE HILL 15, CHERRY CREEK 50, Duncan Creek 4, Ecru 6, ENDVILLE 28, FURRS 32, LONGVIEW 71, PONTOTOC, FIRST 171, Randolph 2, TOCCOPOLA, 33, TOXISH 27, Troy 1, WEST HEIGHTS 16, Zion 20.



First Call

TO SALE EXTRAORDINARY

Here's money in the pocket
for foresighted shoppers!

Our stock of books must be reduced to make room for new items. But our grief is your joy. At these slashed prices you can enlarge your own library, your church library, and fill your closet with choice gifts ahead of the Christmas rush. Values like ours aren't going to linger on the shelves, so beat the crowd. Write us for our list of top-quality, bottom-priced books.

BAPTIST BOOK STORE

213 North President Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

STATE PLANNING MEETING

Friday, October 17, in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, will be the State Planning Meeting for this year.

This is especially for the associational Sunday school officers and leaders. Three cents per mile for the round trip will be paid for ONE car from each association to bring these workers.

Associational leaders, please keep this date in mind and have a good representation from your association. Sunday School Board leaders will be present.

STATE MISSION DAY

Sunday, October 26, is State Mission Day in the Sunday schools. A program has been mailed from Nashville to each superintendent, to be put on in each school as the leaders think best.

This day is for both information as to our State Mission Program and work, and also to make a special financial offering for this important phase of our work. It is for mission work in Mississippi.

So, let's plan, work and pray for a great day October 26.

TWO GIRLS PROMOTE VBS WORK

Misses Annie Ruth Woodruff and Jane Hodges of Houston, Miss., promoted two Vacation Bible schools this summer in churches that had never had one, and that very probably would not have had this year but for their fine help and excellent leadership.

This was done on a purely voluntary basis, with no reward other than the great joy of serving their Lord. The churches were blessed because of this service, and will no doubt have schools next year.

This is a noble part for these girls, and is a challenge to many others to plan for the same kind of thing next year. The opportunities are many and the blessings unlimited to those who serve for love's sake.

Thank you, young ladies, for this noble part you had in this work.

SOUTHWIDE EXTENSION CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHED

"Make a new day dawn in your church through a well-functioning Extension department." This is the plea made in the promotional material launching a Southwide Extension Department Campaign. A great opportunity is offered to our churches through this campaign.

This is the plan:

Three posters are to be sent to every church in the Southern Baptist Convention. All are attractively designed in color. Each poster emphasizes a different phase of Extension work.

POSTER NUMBER ONE is to be displayed and discussed by the pastor before the congregation in the morning preaching service or Sunday school assembly period. A suggested outline for the talk is printed on the reverse side of the poster.

POSTER NUMBER TWO—The next Sunday the second poster dealing with the different groups ministered to by the Extension department will be presented in the same manner by the Sunday school superintendent.

POSTER NUMBER THREE—Portraying the actual ministry of the

department will be presented the next Sunday by the Extension superintendent.

Following the presentation, each poster may be displayed in a prominent place in the church. After the last Sunday the three posters displayed together will tell the story of the work of the department.

In churches where there is no organization, preliminary work to secure an Extension superintendent and some visitors should be done by the pastor and Sunday school superintendent. If possible, these workers should be secured before the campaign is over.

In churches where there is an organization, the program as thus outlined should stimulate interest to the point of necessitating an enlargement of the department.

All materials and plans for this EXTENSION DEPARTMENT CAMPAIGN are furnished free of charge by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Just three simple steps to follow—

First—Write today to the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, for a set of the posters and plan to launch the campaign in your church without delay.

Second—Enlist Extension workers or more workers as the case may be.

Third—Present the work, using a poster each Sunday for three consecutive Sundays.

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Above is shown the Vacation Bible School of Oak Grove Church, Clarke County. Rev. L. B. Simmons is pastor. Thirty-nine were enrolled and the average attendance was 39.

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Prentiss WMU Elects Officers

PRENTISS, Oct. 4 — The Woman's Missionary Union of the Prentiss Baptist Church has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing association year: president, Mrs. R. E. Tyrone; first vice-president, Mrs. Howard Hartzog; second-vice president, Mrs. D. Z. Young; third vice-president, Mrs. Ralph Baylis; secretary-treasurer, Miss Lena Sutton community missions chairman, Mrs. Leon Tyrone; mission study chairman, Mrs. W. T. Lipsey; literature chairman, Mrs. A. J. Stamps; church chairman, Mrs. C. R. Jolly.

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Rev. Wilson W. Bogan pastor of First Baptist Church, Achilee, Oklahoma will assist Rev. W. J. Hemby in a revival at Corinth Church, Simpson county, beginning October 12. Rev. Bogan was pastor of this church several years ago. Since that time he has served as a chaplain and spent 19 months in the E.T.O. Mr. Bogan is the youngest son of the late J. W. Bogan of Mendenhall.

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VAN WINKLE SUPPORT TRAINING UNION 112 STRONG

When adults find out just what it is all about they do as the adults of the Van Winkle church have done—support the Training Union by their attendance and participation. On the average Sunday more than a hundred adults attend the Van Winkle Training Union. The Sunday prior to this writing there were 112 adults present. This was a little more than half of the total attendance. There are four adult unions, Mr. E. E. Parker is the Department director, and the following are the four presidents: W. Doss Smith, Dr. C. E. Lewis, James Hickey, and Mr. W. C. Smith. J. O. Ward is the Training Union Director and Rev. H. A. Milner pastor. Members say "We have the best church and best pastor in Mississippi." The State Training Union department extends congratulations and best wishes.

LEBANON ASSOCIATION IS THIRD TO REACH THE STANDARD

Congratulations to Director Garland McInnis and his corps of officers, to the pastors and to the churches that make up Lebanon Association on their recent achievement, that of having the Training Union of the Association to reach the standard. It has taken work and cooperation. This association is made up of three counties, and is therefore one of our larger associations. This is the third association this year that has reached the standard of excellence and we say again this is no small achievement and the accomplishment bespeaks the loyal spirit that prevails in the association.

700 ATTEND LAST ASSOCIATION MEETING IN MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION

We are happy to report perhaps the largest regular meeting of an Associational Training Union in our history. At the last meeting of the Mississippi Association they had an attendance of 700. Mrs. A. G. Felder, the associational director says it was a wonderful meeting. It was held at the Mt. Olive church. It was largely a young people's program with a youth choir, young people, five of them, giving devotional, an Intermediate Sword Drill, Accordion Solo by Clyde Whittington, and address by Dr. C. M. Savage, pastor of the Liberty church, climaxed with a religious film "Who is my Neighbor?" It isn't going to be too long we hope before this association will be reporting itself to be standard. Congratulations on this wonderful meeting that expresses the fine spirit of cooperation that exists.

HINDS-WARREN ELECTS

The Hinds-Warren Training Union held its Annual Meeting with Clinton church on Sunday Sept. 21 with a very practical program of Demonstrations throughout all Departments and giving special emphasis on the Young People with Mrs. C. H. Cooper Young People's Leader. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Director Mrs. Lewis H. Yarbrough

from Cavalry Church, Asso. Director W. C. Morgan, First Church, Vicksburg; Secretary, Miss Sue Tatum, First Church, Jackson; Chorister, Mack Douglas, Parkway; Pianist, Mr. T. C. Brown, Daniel; Adult Leader, Mr. W. H. Puckett, Van Winkle, Young People's Leader, Mrs. C. H. Cooper, Cavalry, Jackson; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. Ray Godbold, Bowmar Ave., Vicksburg; Junior Leader, Mrs. E. E. Parker, Van Winkle; Story Hour Leader, Mrs. S. B. Fillingame, Cavalry, Jackson; Pastor Adviser, Rev. H. A. Milner, Van Winkle. The Association is divided into 5 groups with Directors as follows: Rev. R. S. Bradford, Vicksburg; Herbert Batson, Clinton; W. C. Ward, Siewel; Miss Wilma Cockerham, Bethesda; R. E. Purvis, Northside, Jackson.

This Association was the first in the State to attain the Standard of Excellence and progress has been made in all departments of Training during the year just closing. Demonstrations were conducted by the various Departmental Leaders of practical activities. The Rev. Lowery Compere brought the closing message on "Be Thou An Example."

BALDWYN HAS CHURCH STUDY COURSE SPONSORED BY THE TRAINING UNION

The Baldwyn Church had a church study course sponsored by the Training Union the week of September 14. Five classes were taught, Bible books being used throughout. Three periods were observed each evening, two class sessions with an assembly between. The assembly each night was used to emphasize the work and importance of the Training Union in the life of the church.

A different outside speaker was used each evening for the assembly feature, including Rev. Gordon Sassing of the Booneville church, Rev. F. M. Powell of Calvary church in Tupelo, Rev. J. R. Davis of New Albany church, Rev. S. E. Byler of the Okolona church, and Joe Abrams of the State Training Union office.

Dr. Robert Palmer is pastor at Baldwyn and Mr. Aldridge is Training Union director.

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RICHLAND CALLS PHIPPS

Rev. Charles Phipps who recently graduated at Clarke College, has been called as pastor of the Richland church at Plain. He succeeds Rev. John DeFoore who is now at the Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky. Rev. DeFoore's pastorate was marked with significant progress in this church, and a full program was instituted. A pastor's home was built by the church, and Rev. Phipps and his family will occupy this while he serves as he attends school at Mississippi College.

Rev. Nolan Kennedy of Clinton led the revival which produced good results. The Vacation Bible School was the largest by far ever held in the church.

Rev. Mr. Phipps was formerly pastor at Hickory Grove, Lauderdale county, where the membership was almost double, the church redecorated and four Sunday school rooms added.

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Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will bring the keynote message on "Christ, the Great Difference," Friday night, October 31, at the State BSU Convention in Meridian.

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Recently: Mary Ruth Johnson reported from Blue Mountain 90 subscribers to the Baptist Student and "still they come"; Geo. Moseley, Miss. College grad, became the new Educational Director at Fifth Ave. Church, Hattiesburg, and wrote "I am looking

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 12—L. E. Cliburn, Training Union Associational Director, Neshoba County. S. L. Robinson, Professor Physical Education, Mississippi College.
October 14—Miss Clara Etta Berry, Assistant Dean of Students, Blue Mountain College. J. O. Boyd, Director Training Union Association, Jeff Davis County.
October 15—Rev. C. W. Thompson, Pastors' Advisory Committee, District Four Brotherhood, Aberdeen. Miss Annabel Jenkins, Faculty Member, Blue Mountain College.
October 16—Norman O'Neal, Associate Professor of Bible, Mississippi College. Rev. Clarence Palmer, Secretary-treasurer, District Four Brotherhood, Fulton.
October 17—A. S. Minton, Director Training Union Association, Lincoln County. Miss Ermogene Tucker, Training Union Associational Director, Lauderdale County.
October 18—Miss Arie Porter Farr, Librarian, Clarke College. Dr. W. O. Sadler, Professor Zoology, Mississippi College.
October 19—Mrs. E. Spain, Instructor in English & Education, Mississippi College. Lyle V. Corey, President District Six Brotherhood, Meridian, Miss.

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The Atlanta Baptist Ministers Association unanimously adopted a petition responding to the President's appeal to waste less food, but called attention to the fact that 3,596,467 tons of grain and other food products were used to make beer and whiskey for the 12 months ending 1946. The petition might also have called attention to the fact that the U. S. is favoring alcohol plants over public institutions in supplying potatoes at less than cost for alcohol.

Harold Ingraham recently completed 25 years' service with the Sunday School Board.

forward to working with the students at Hattiesburg"; Bill Thames, of Miss. State, wrote "I feel confident that before long we will have a full-time secretary on our campus;" Chas. Tolbert, of Mississippi College, wrote "I know that our B.S.U. Council is the best group of workers I have ever seen"; Pete Gillespie, former State BSU sec'y of Ky., soon to go to Japan, wrote "We shall be leaning heavily on the prayers of people who love us in the Lord and want the cause of Christ advanced around the world"; received Vol. 4, No. 1 of *Clarke Call*, a very readable paper edited by Chas. Godbold; read that Geo. Whitfield once said: "I am willing to go to prison and to death for you, but I am not willing to go to heaven without you"; along with Belhaven and Millsaps students was blessed by hurried visit of Frances Barbour.

MELVIN JONES, from JONES JR., reports that over 100 attended their "Nutty Party" the other night; they are planning a social for their married students with the single students acting as baby sitters; they have \$12 with ONLY \$1982 to go, on their station wagon campaign; FRANCIS BARBOUR meant much to their campus on a recent visit, and HUBERT DANIELS is the first president of their recently formed Ministerial Association.

GRENADE FIRST ADDS NINETY IN MEETING

There were 90 additions to the Grenada First Baptist church during the revival recently led by Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis. Dr. Glen Eric Wiley, pastor, stated that such crowds attended that a visitor from out-of-town stated in a letter, "The situation reminds me of my childhood when Major Penn held a revival in Grenada, and I saw men 30 years old baptized. I have heard Gipsy Smith, Billy Sunday, Sam Jones, D. L. Moody, and J. Campbell Morgan of London and other great preachers. But I never heard Christ so effectively portrayed. Only eternity will tell the great results of Dr. Lee's preaching."

The church during the meeting had 61 for baptism and 29 by letter, and others came Sunday. Numbers joined other churches.

Minister of Music Cecil Grisham led the singing and Mrs. J. G. Hardy was organist.

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New Orleans Seminary Is Undamaged By Hurricane

Neither the New Orleans Baptist Seminary family nor its property sustained injury or damage in the wake of the Gulf Coast a few days ago.

The oaks on the present campus were able to take the full impact of the terrific hurricane which swept the unprecedented winds with no serious results. The recently acquired seventy-five acre campus on Gentilly Highway, being on the highest ground in the city, was never threatened by the floodwaters which inundated much of the Pontchartrain area.

SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Thomas M. Collins has resigned as Sunday school secretary of Florida to accept the call of the First Church, Carrollton, Alabama.—The Survey Bulletin.

"THE CHRISTIAN HERALD" for last June reports a 3.6 per cent increase in Protestant Church membership in the past year. This is three times the rate of increase in the U. S. population as a whole, and nearly double the rate of increase claimed by the Roman Catholic Church. Total membership of 47 Protestant denominations is given as 43,635,058. Latest (1946) Roman Catholic claim is a total membership of 25,268,173 in the U. S., including infants and children under 13 years of age, who are not included in Protestant Church membership.

Prohibition: Representative Joseph R. Bryson, of South Carolina, told the 2,000 delegates to the World's WCTU Convention, meeting in Ashbury, N. J., that forces favoring a return to national prohibition are gaining in this country. He added that a steady increase of dry territory under local option has been proceeding ever since repeal. Some 20,469 option elections have been held since repeal and drys have won 12,519 of them.

"There is no hope for the satisfied man."—Clipped.

Rev. L. C. Brown has recently moved to Natchez from De Ridder, La., where he resigned his field of work in Beauregard Parish. He is now pastor of the Demascus Church in Copiah County and Bethel church in Rankin County. This is another case of a Mississippian coming back home. Pastor Brown was reared at Glen Allen.

The Forest Baptist Church ordained R. L. Goodwin, William Huff and W. R. Cain as deacons Wednesday night, September 24. The ordination scripture was read by Dr. L. E. Smith, Pastor and the charge was given by Dr. E. R. Pinson, of Clarke Memorial College. The members of the church witnessed a very impressive ceremony, and at the close of the service, every member present gave the hand of Christian fellowship and pledged their cooperation to the new deacons. The Forest Baptist Church is going forward for the Master.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the 1946 Minutes of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, which has just been received.

The Baptist Record has recently received a nice list of new and renewed subscriptions from Pleasant Grove Church, Prentiss County. The list was sent by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Rhineheart.

Recently Rev. W. Harold Anderson of Shubata, who also serves the Hepzibah Church, a connection of the Shubata pastorage sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions. Such friends as these are responsible for the fact that the Baptist Record has more than 58,000 circulations each week.

If all church clerks were like H. S. McCorkle of Poplar Church in Newton County, the Baptist Record would have more 100,000 circulation. He recently sent a nice list of new subscriptions and wrote that he has not seen all the members, but as soon as he could contact them, that he would send in their names.

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED HIM? by Dr. Wilbur M. Smith of the Moody Bible Institute faculty, is a pamphlet of 42 pages that is worthy of wide circulation. No reasonable person can read it and doubt the claims of Christ. The pamphlet sells for 15c. Orders should be sent to the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Ill., or to the Baptist Book Store.

EASTON, Pa. — (RNS)—The Junior Order of United American Mechanics of Pennsylvania, at its 88th annual convention here, went on record as being opposed to the diversion of public funds to private and parochial schools and to other sectarian institutions. The Order commended the board of education of Kennett Square, Pa., for opposing the transportation and adopted a resolution calling upon President Truman to recall his personal envoy to the Vatican.

Five helpful pamphlets have been published recently by Concordia Publishing House, 3558 South Jefferson Ave., St. Louis 18, Missouri. They are: GODS GRACIOUS PROMISES (10c); CHURCH USHERING (20c); FRIENDS FOREVER (6c); TRAIN UP A CHILD (15c); CASE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (15c).

The Baptist Record is grateful to Mrs. M. W. Moore, Church clerk of Mount Pleasant Church, Newton County for a nice list of new subscribers. Looks like this helps the Baptist Record to continue to have a circulation of more than 58,000 each week. This means approximately 232,000 readers each week.

The Shelbyville, Kentucky News carries a good report of a fine piece of work under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. David Byrd, both Mississippians, at the Waddy Baptist Church, in a community recreation project. The young people of the community were full of praise for the good done, and of appreciation of the young pastor and his talented wife. Mrs. Byrd is teaching in the Henry Clay high school, while Rev. Byrd goes in each week to the Seminary at Louisville.

The people at Kiln are beginning work on their new building according to Pastor W. S. Allen of Pass Christian. A new Sunday School is to be started in the community beyond Pineville, where Mr. and Mrs. Fred Franks reside. Their home has been offered as a meeting place until a building can be secured. Kiln will start a Sunday School as soon as the building is erected.

The Aloha Church in Marion Association gave out 120 Training Union Study Course awards recently. Rev. F. G. Wilborn is pastor. He is also the Marion County Associational B.T.U. Director. Olo has earned 212 awards since January 1.

A Leadership Training School in Marion county October 5-10 had the following teachers: Joe Abrams, Miss Clarice Conner and Mrs. D. A. McCall, all of Jackson, and S. F. Smith of Columbia. Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., of Columbia is leading in the work, as Director of the First Baptist B.T.U.

One of the latest churches to join the growing list of Baptist Record Churches is the Philadelphia Church of Lafayette County, Rev. E. A. Autry, pastor. The list was sent by the Treasurer, Buck Watts, whose address is Etta. As long as such lists continue to come, the Baptist Record's circulation will continue to grow.

One of the list that enabled the Baptist Record to continue with a circulation of more than 58,000 weekly was the Gainesville list sent in by Rev. B. L. McKee, the pastor.

REALIZATION OF THE UNITY OF

LIFE (\$1.50) by Irvin N. Hoffman is, according to the publishers, "an enlightening and thought provoking book written for the purpose of contributing to the solution of the most important question before the world today, Permanent Peace." Orders should be sent to the publishers, The Christopher Publishing House, 1140 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass., or to the Baptist Book Store.

LIGHT IN THE JUNGLE (35c) by Laura and Gordon H. Smith tells the story of a missionary couple who followed a trail 200 miles into the heart of the jungles of French-Indon China to work among the natives at Banmethuot, Annam. Here they were surrounded by many tigers, leopards, wild elephants, gour and hundreds of thousands of savage tribespeople. Orders should be sent to the publisher, The Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Ill., or to the Baptist Book Store.

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Rev. E. N. Sullivan has resigned the pastorate at Brandon in order to do mission work in Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan and two daughters arrived in Palmer, Alaska, on September 10. He plans to establish a church there. The family drove up over the Alcan Highway. The church at Brandon contributed to this mission enterprise by helping the Sullivans purchase a house trailer for the trip.

When it rains, it pours, in some places. For instance, Miss Ann Crittenton was recently married to Charles Martin, a favorite son of Alabama. And a few days later came the news from Mr. and Mrs. Dial Curran of Shawnee, Oklahoma, announcing the marriage of their daughter, Betty, to William F. (Bill) Crittenton, of Fresno, California. Baptist Record readers will remember Dr. A. F. Crittenton, the father of Ann and Bill, as the former pastor at Brookhaven, and after that Associate State Mission Secretary.

The October issue of the Baptist Student contains a very interesting article by Dr. L. T. Lowrey, president of Blue Mountain College, entitled "Ten Things I Would Do If I Could Be A Freshman Again".

Davis C. Cook Publishing Company recently revised their four papers for boys and girls entitled "What to Do", "Boys World", "Girls Companion", and "Young People's Weekly". The papers, all of which contain 8 pages, except the "Young People's Weekly", which contains 16, are printed in 4 colors and are illustrated with photographs, drawings, cartoons, and an adventure strip based on the Sunday School topic for the week.

Rev. E. Y. Soileau, formerly pastor in Mississippi, and after that a student at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, has recently gone to Bogalusa, Louisiana, to assume the pastorate of New Hope Church in that city. The work is progressing under his leadership in a very satisfactory way. In renewing his subscription, Rev. Mr. Soileau speaks in a very complimentary way of the Baptist Record, and says that Mississippi College intoxicated him with the Mississippi fellowship and spirit. Some good Mississippi church should bring him back to this state.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles L. Phipps are the proud parents of a son, Wayne Edward, born September 30 at the Baptist Hospital. Wayne Edward lacked 2 ounces of weighing 8 lbs., the first time he was weighed. Mrs. Phipps is the former Marjorie Burton of Sangus, Massachusetts.

THE NEW RACIAL SITUATION — THE WAY OUT by Dr. E. P. Alldredge, former Statistical Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention is a sane discussion of the race question. The author discusses three proposed solutions of the race question: COLONIZATION, INTEGRATIONS, CHRISTIANIZATION. The book is well worth reading. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher, The Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn. The price is \$1.00.

Mrs. J. J. McKinstry of the English Department of Blue Mountain College has been appointed an advisory member of the editorial committee of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. The committee is largely responsible for the preparation and publishing of W.M.U. literature. Mr. McKinstry served two years as State Publicity Director for the Mississippi Parent Teacher Association.

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The Baptist Record has been requested by J. S. Gilbert and family of Leaf River Church, Smith County, to express their thanks to the many friends and neighbors for many acts of kindness, including financial aid, during the recent illness of wife and mother. They also are grateful for the many prayers offered in their behalf.

The following officers have been elected by the Mount Gilead church, Lauderdale County: Clerk, Curtis A. Knight; Treasurer, Mrs. Curtis Knight; Reporter, Miss Marie Pierce; Pianists, Mrs. Ruth Gressett; Song Leader, Miss Lois Knight; VBS leader, Lonnie Knight; Sunday School Superintendent, Harmon Ross; Associate Superintendent, Monroe Gressett. Rev. G. A. McGrew is the pastor.

The WMU of Lynn church, where the Rev. Curtis Askew was pastor before being appointed to Japan, had a pantry shower for Brother and Mrs. Askew. The Ladies of the WMU canned for them 300 cans of fruits, vegetables, and meat. The church has also replaced old pews with new ones.

Rev. Caudl Howe has resigned the field composed of Courtland, Locke Station, and Pharsalia, in Panola County in order to accept the pastorate at Philadelphia. He succeeds Rev. O. B. Robinson who recently resigned the work at Philadelphia. According to Miss Anna Woodruff, clerk of Courtland Church, the membership and officers have more than doubled during the pastorate of Brother Howe.

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THE BETTER REVELATION

Heb 1:1-4; 2:1-3; John 14:5-11
1. THE BETTER REVELATION IN THE SAVIOUR (Heb 1:1).

1. God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2. Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

3. Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power when he had by himself purged our sins sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

4. Being made so much better than the angels as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

II. THE BETTER REVELATION OF SALVATION (Heb 2:1).

1. Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard lest at any time we should let them slip.

2. For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;

3. How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him?

III. THE BETTER REVELATION FOR THE SAVED (John 14:1).

5. Thomas saith unto him Lord we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6. Jesus saith unto him I am the way the truth and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me.

7. If ye had known me ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him and have seen him.

8. Philip saith unto him Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?

10. Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

The Better Revelation

Culminates in Christ

(1) Christ Is God. "The brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person." "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."

(2) Christ Is Creator. "By whom also he made the worlds; . . . upholding all things by the word of his power."

(3) Christ Is Lord. "His Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things."

(4) Christ is Saviour. "He had by himself purged our sins." "No man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

(5) Christ Is King. "Sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

October 5, 1947

Church	S.S.	B.T.U.
Hattiesburg, 5th Ave.	446	180
New Albany, First	525	209
New Albany, including		
North Side Mission	558	
Laurel, First	582	166
West Laurel	440	130
Hattiesburg, Main St.	737	297
Crystal Springs	593	107
Jackson, First	1,137	382
Jackson, Parkway	612	221
Jackson, Calvary	1,193	328
Jackson, Calvary including		
Calvary Mission	1,229	371
Jackson, Van Winkle	282	199
Jackson, Davis Memorial	241	101
Pascagoula, First	680	208
Columbus, First	824	239
Gulfport, First	544	140
Brookhaven, First	849	207
Hernando	117	
Centreville	157	48
Louisville, First	312	140
Lucedale	267	87
Winona, First	251	77
Batesville, First	204	58
Bruce	193	88
Antioch, Lawrence	36	35
Oloh, Marion	114	135
Cross Roads, Webster	74	41
New Zion, Copiah	85	62
Friendship, Pike	201	112
East McComb	430	
Chalybeate	55	46
Kreole	105	48
Ellison Ridge, Winston	103	109
Artesia, Lowndes	49	38
West Corinth	166	108
Houlka, Chickasaw	96	46
Glenfield, Union	55	33
Center, Attala	138	56
Crystal Springs, Walthall	115	82
Brooklyn, Forrest	104	78
Magee's Creek, Walthall	101	102
Tucker's Crossing, Jones	52	31
O'Tuckalopa, Yalobusha	63	
Rocky Springs, Claiborne	27	
Chester, Choctaw	67	
Booneville, First	284	87
Wellman, Lincoln	50	55
Paynes, Tallahatchie	141	66
September 28, 1947		
Chalybeate,	56	45
Oak Grove, Calhoun Co.	75	59
Byram, Hinds Co.	121	76
Soso	103	64
Iuka	198	
Magee's Creek, Walthall	62	102
Winona, First	290	55

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(6) Christ Reveals. "I am the way, the truth, and the life."

(7) Christ Requires. "Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or less believe me for the very works' sake."

(8) Christ Redemeets. "So great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord."

(9) Christ Condemns. "Every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward."

(10) Christ Commands. "We ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard."

Gold in the Golden Text

Jesus saith . . . he that hath seen me hath seen the Father. John 14:9.

The Father and the Son are one in their nature, though mysteriously different in personality. The Son is identical with the Father in deity so that there is no difference in their power and perfection.

We therefore see the Father through the Son who was "the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person" (Heb. 1:3). Those who saw Christ in the flesh truly beheld God, and their testimony is before us. Even clearer vision of him in spirit we can have through faith today. And what a privilege it will be to see him face to face in the glorious afterwhile!

235 TITHERS ENLISTED AT NORTHSIDE, JACKSON

Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, had Tithers Enlistment Day on Sunday, September 28, in connection with the Church's Seventeenth Anniversary observance with the result that they now have 235 tithers.

Pastor W. L. Compere had brought messages on Stewardship in the morning services during September, and copies of his booklet "God's Holy Tenth" had been distributed to the congregation. On the day of enlistment, a special tithing covenant card prepared by the Pastor was used. It reads as follows:

"God's Holy Tenth of my income I will bring to His House as He has taught in His Word for the spread of His Gospel throughout all His World."

Heretofore the largest number of tithers Northside has had was 160. The goal for this Enlistment Season is 250 and they expect to be well above that goal within two more weeks. This equals almost half of the resident church membership.

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The function of prayer is not to get God on our side, but to get ourselves on God's side.

Recent visitors to the Baptist Record Office are: Rev. W. E. Greene, Newton; Mrs. Siliyl B. Townsend, Raleigh, N. C.; Eugene Howard, New Orleans, La.; Rev. N. A. Edmonds, Jackson; Rev. W. H. Bucklew, Clinton; Rev. Roy V. Young, Clyde, North Carolina; Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell, Hattiesburg; Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia; Rev. Robert W. Martin, Batesville; C. B. Hamlet III, Winona; S. P. Powell, Carriere; Rev. Jewell J. Burson, Shelby; Dr. William C. Holland, Greenville; Frank E. Skilton, Blue Mountain College; Julia Thweatt, Houston; Roselyn Moore, Houston; Virginia Ann Martin, Houston; Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Houston; Dorothy Ann Crumby, Houston; Rev. and Mrs. Mack Borner and Jimmie Mack, Clinton; Billye Johnson, McComb; Rev. Fred B. Bookter, McComb; Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mott, McComb; Mrs. Earl Johnson, McComb; Mrs. Meredith Carr, McComb; Bernice Garrett, Greenville; Jimmy Ann Williams, Greenville; Marjorie McQueen, Greenville; Margaret Estes, Canton; Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton; Rev. G. W. Smith, Pelahatchie; Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Walters, Clinton; Rev. Leonard Holloway, Clinton; A. E. Wilson, Kilmichael; Rev. John A. Wade, Kilmichael; Hugh F. Latimer, Memphis, Tenn.; A. S. Newman, Shreveport, La.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gregory and Janet, Linda, and Paul, Jr., San Diego, Calif.; Rev. Grady Smith and Jerry, Goshen Springs; Dr. Nolan M. Kennedy, Clinton; Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Clinton.

TITHING . . .

was a moral and not a ceremonial law. Jesus did not cancel the moral law; He confirmed it. He did not destroy it; He defended it. He did not tone it down, but up.

He did not low the obligations, but heightened them.

He did not ask for less, but more.

He did not abolish tithing, but commended it.

TITHING . . .

is not the completion of the Christian's duty, but the beginning.

TITHING . . .

is the expression of honesty, not necessarily liberality.

TITHING . . .

is a matter of minimum obligation, not necessarily supreme consecration.

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Fourteen members were added to the church during the week and the people were inspired and lifted by the optimistic and joyous spirit of Brother McCall and Brother Aultman.

A packed auditorium, a remarkable spirit of co-operation and loyalty, an unusually large, talented and responsive choir, joyous singing and inspired preaching were characteristics of the entire week. L. E. Burnette, Pastor.

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